#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Joint Application of SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY (U 338-E) and PACIFIC TERMINALS LLC for SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY to Sell Fuel Oil Pipeline Facilities to PACIFIC TERMINALS LLC and for PACIFIC TERMINALS LLC to Purchase such Fuel Oil Pipeline Facilities and to Operate Them as a Public Utility.

Application 02-03-035 (Filed March 22, 2002)

## ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING ADVISING JOINT APPLICANTS TO FILE A REVISED PROPONENTS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

## **Summary**

This Administrative Law Judge's (ALJ) ruling advises Joint Applicants Southern California Edison Company (Edison) and Pacific Terminals LLC (Pacific Terminals) that a revised Proponents Environmental Assessment (PEA) must be filed before the Commission's Energy Division (ED) can deem Application (A.) 02-03-035 complete.

# **Background**

On January 31, 2000, Edison filed A.00-01-037 seeking Commission authorization for authority to sell its fuel oil pipeline facilities (FOPF). At the time Edison filed this application, Edison had not yet identified a buyer for its FOPF. Edison, however, did file a PEA in that docket, prior to that application being dismissed. Because a buyer had not yet been identified for the FOPF,

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Edison's PEA lacked sufficient detail of the proposed operational circumstances of the buyer.

On March 22, 2002, Edison filed a new application, A.02-03-035, identifying the buyer for the FOPF as Pacific Terminals. Edison, and/or Pacific Terminals needs to file a revised PEA, in A.02-03-035, providing sufficient details regarding the actual intended uses of the facility by Pacific Terminals, any updated circumstances concerning the site or the facilities, and additional operational details.

In A.02-03-035 the joint applicants, Edison and Pacific Terminals claim that the project should be exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The ED cannot make that determination until an updated and revised PEA is filed. Commission staff is available to meet with Edison and/or Pacific Terminals to discuss the proper requirements for such a PEA. Contact Michael Rosauer at fly@cpuc.ca.gov, or (415) 703-2579.

IT IS RULED that Southern California Edison Company (Edison) and Pacific Terminals LLC's (Pacific Terminals) joint application for authorization for Edison to sell its fuel oil pipeline facilities to Pacific Terminals, and for Pacific Terminals to purchase such facilities and to operate them as a public utility, cannot be deemed complete until a revised Proponents Environmental Assessment is filed.

Dated May 17, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ CAROL A. BROWN

Carol A. Brown

Administrative Law Judge

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Advising Joint Applicants to File a Revised Proponents Environmental Assessment on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated May 17, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ FANNIE SID
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